IN THE UNITED STATES PATEN	II AND IRADEMARK OFFICE
IN RE THE APPLICATION OF)
) Examiner: Toan M. Le

Dirk Preikszas

SERIAL NO. 10/639,925) Group Art Unit: 2863

FILED: January 12, 2003) Customer No. 23644

FOR: Improvements in and Relating to the Confirmation No. 6666

Control of Instruments

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136, the applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months to respond to the Office Action dated February 29, 2008. Response will therefore be timely if filed with the Patent and Trademark Office no later than August 29, 2008.

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.17, the required fee of \$1,050.00 should be deducted from Deposit Account No. 12-0913.

August 18, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

William M. Lee, Jr.[₹] Registration No. 26,935

Barnes & Thornburg LLP

P.O. Box 2786

Chicago, Illinois 60690-2786

(312) 214-4800

(312) 759-5646 (fax)